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FIRST TIME WINNERS - The recently established Techmation rink, (back row, left to right) Lorne Koss, Brad Koss, Ryan MacDonald and Conrad Pierce, proudly display the Shamrock Valley Enterprises Grand Challenge trophy after their win over (front, left to right) John Regnier, Don Anderson, Owen Gibson and Chad Milnthorp in Saturday's final round of the 35th Annual Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel.

Brand new champs for 35th Oilmen's Bonspiel

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Oilmen's Association's 35th Annual Bonspiel had a brand new set of winners holding the Shamrock Valley Enterprises Grand Challenge trophy late Saturday afternoon, after Techmation's Lorne Koss, Brad Koss, Ryan MacDonald and Conrad Pierce swept to victory over DOG Inspection's John Regnier, Don Anderson, Owen Gibson and Chad Milnthorp. The Techmation team was formed shortly before the bonspiel, with the Koss duo adding MacDonald and Pierce to their roster, a move that proved very successful for the new team.

The other three event finals featured teams that were familiar competitors at the Oilmen's spiel, some of them with many previous wins to their credit.

Irven Courts and his Neighbourhood Inn rinkmates Marcel Amyotte, Norm Vallee and Mark Skelton, who placed second in last year's 'B' event, moved up to first for their third event win in the past four years, defeating Encore's Tyler Warawa, Tyson Ballas, Tim Smereka and Duncan Gilbert for the Weatherford trophy.

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Ratepayers give input, get reasons for rate increase

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Seven ratepayers were on hand for last Monday's public hearing regarding Elk Point town council's plan to increase utility rates to cover the cost of installing electronic water meters and of supplying the town's water requirements without a deficit.

"This change is passed by a resolution of council, and we are not required to hold a public hearing, but we decided to," Mayor Lorne Young told the visitors. "You have the opportunity to share your feedback with us."

George Semeniuk, who in the past, "read meters here for seven years," also owns property in St. Paul and said residents there read their own meters every two months and send in the readings. Town staff there "never read meters unless (accounts) are delinquent."

Semeniuk also felt that water should be billed on actual use rather than with a 14 cubic meter basic amount, with fellow ratepayer Bonnie Smith, who said she used far less than 14 cubic meters, in agreement, but Mayor Young pointed out that if that were the case, the cost per cubic meter would be considerably higher.

One major reason for the \$10 increase for the basic amount, the mayor said, is that last year, "we had an \$87,000 shortfall in our utilities budget. In the past, we have used tax dollars to pay the shortfall, but the provincial government says that utilities should pay for themselves, and we were in agreement to do that."

The increase also takes into consideration an increase in the cost of purchasing water from the Town of St. Paul, which came into effect at the beginning of the year. "We can't guarantee the rates," the mayor said. "They depend on what it costs, and water has to pay for itself."

St. Paul residents will also have increases, CAO Ken Gwozdz noted, because the Regional Water Commission has an agreement with the Town of St. Paul that if the town increases the price of the water, that increase affects their customers also.

The Commission a joint body of town and county which owns the water line from the St. Paul water treatment plant to Elk Point, purchases treated water from the Town of St. Paul and sells it to the Town of Elk Point, where the majority is stored in the new water storage facility. The commission also sells water

to county residents along the line. Gwozdz told the residents that the Town of Elk Point looks after operations for the commission, with 80 per cent of operating costs paid by the town, which uses "99.9 per cent of the water," while the county pays the other 20 per cent of operating costs, and adds that the town's public works staff is responsible for repairs, as per the town's agreement with the commission.

The town is proposing a \$7 per month fee for replacement of the balance of water meters that have not already been converted to the electronic version, with a small amount left over to build a small reserve, the mayor said. Approximately 470 meters need to be replaced, and while to date, public works staff has been replacing the meters, the company supplying the meters would replace the balance, so the work could be done this summer.

"We plan to discontinue the \$7 fee when the meters are paid for," the mayor noted.

With electronic meters, one person could read all the meters in less than half a day, just by driving up and down the streets, and would no longer have to go into yards to read them.

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RCMP arrest two after police vehicles rammed

ELK POINT RCMP
Review Contributors

On Jan. 15, 2018 at approximately 12:30 a.m., Elk Point RCMP were on patrol and located a suspicious car and truck in Frog Lake at a gas station. Officers in two separate police vehicles activated their emergency lights while approaching the vehicles. The truck then rammed one police vehicle head on and proceeded to collide with the second police vehicle while it fled from the gas station. The car also fled the area while the collisions occurred.

No one was injured. Police located the truck nearby as it lost control and hit a stop sign. Two occupants of the truck then fled on foot but were later located and arrested without incident. The car was later located abandoned and the suspect(s) in that vehicle are still being sought by police as the investigation continues. Both vehicles were previously reported stolen. A 21-year-old male from Cold Lake was charged with flight from police, possession of stolen property over

\$5,000, three counts of mischief and two counts of failure to comply with a court order. At the time of his arrest, the male was wanted for failing to attend court from a previous charge in Vermilion, Alberta. He was also charged with several offences under the Traffic Safety Act and remanded into custody. He will be appearing in St. Paul Provincial Court on Feb. 1, 2018. An 18-year-old female from Cold Lake was charged with flight from police, possession of stolen property over \$5,000, three counts of mischief

and two counts of failure to comply with a court order. She was remanded into custody and will be appearing in Cold Lake Provincial Court on Jan. 24, 2018. If you have information about this incident, please call the Elk Point RCMP at 780-724-3829 or call your local police. If you want to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), by internet at www.tipsubmit.com, or by SMS (check your local Crime Stoppers www.crimestoppers.ab.ca for instructions).

Council

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The readings can also be downloaded for billing, saving time on inputting the data. Mayor Young told the visitors that the town and county councils have been successful in obtaining a grant to cover the cost of building a bulk water fill station in Elk Point, which will be owned by the town. Profit from the sale of bulk water "can be used to lower the cost of water for residents," he noted. He also spoke of the necessity of replacing aging water lines, and said that between the availability of grant funding and the offer of the contractor to finance the project at one per cent interest until the project is paid off, the town can afford to have the work done, thus saving money on repair of costly water line breaks. In the regular meeting that followed the public hearing, council voted to approve the water rate increase effective Feb. 1, 2018 using Jan. 2018 water consumption with the basic 14 cubic meter usage priced at \$60, basic sewer service \$17, garbage fee \$15, water meter replacement \$7 and a \$4 charge for each cubic meter of water use over the basic 14 cubic meters. **Council remuneration** The town's new Council and Appointed Members Remuneration Policy was discussed at some length, with one amendment adding a definition of where travel distance should be calculated from. The policy

will not be given its final readings until a full council is present, Mayor Young said, because all members should be given the opportunity to give their input.

Subdivision and Development

A revised Subdivision and Development Appeal Board bylaw reflecting recent changes in the Municipal Government Act and rescinding the previous bylaw was given first reading.

Fee schedule revision

The town's fee schedule bylaw also received a revision, with Schedule A's Geographical Information System access cost reduced from \$250 per year to \$100 per year, retroactive to Jan. 1, 2018, with the one business that already has paid to receive a rebate for the extra amount paid.

Additional hours

Due to the transition in the finance department, it is anticipated that additional hours of work will be required for the current office staff and interim manager of finance to prepare the year end audit file for presentation to the town auditors at the end of February. Council approved changes in the operating budget to reflect the extra cost.

Industrial hemp

Coun. Terri Hampson was authorized to attend an upcoming workshop on Growing Industrial Hemp, to be held in Vermilion in early February.

Physician

Council discussed the lengthy delay in the anticipated arrival of a third physician to share the health

care load in Elk Point, and it was agreed that a letter be sent from the mayor's office to ask Alberta Health Services for an update on the situation, with a copy to be forwarded to MLA David Hanson.

Hockey Provincials

A letter from Elk Point Minor Hockey announcing that Elk Point would be hosting the Bantam 'D' Hockey Provincials in mid-March received good response from council, who agreed to donate \$1,000 gold sponsorship from the Grants to Organizations fund.

Signing authority

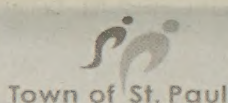
In the current absence of a finance manager, it was agreed that Mayor Young and one councillor, with the exception of Coun. Debra McQuinn, will sign any cheques payable to CAO Gwozdz.

Recreation survey

Council was given copies of the final approved version of the household survey that will be used in the development of the St. Paul - Elk Point Regional Partnership's Regional Recreation Services Master Plan. The survey will be sent out to residents across the region to gather their input.

Concern expressed

Coun. Hampson brought word of a local businessperson's concern that tradesmen may be pulling permits for work in town without holding a town business license. It was noted that the concern should have come to the town office for clarification, and also that a sole proprietor does not require a business license unless that person hires others.



St. Paul-Elk Point Regional Recreation Services Master Plan - Press release

Recreation is a significant contributor to resident quality of life in our region. Encompassing sports, parks, arts & culture, leisure pursuits, and the natural setting, recreation enriches lives and builds communities. Residents in the area enjoy quality of life due to public investment in recreation services and facilities and the efforts of various organizations and individuals working to provide recreational opportunities in the Town of St. Paul, Town of Elk Point, County of St. Paul No. 19, and the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay.

In order to effectively make decisions about recreation provision and resource priorities, the **St. Paul-Elk Point Regional Partnership is undertaking the development of a Recreation Services Master Plan** utilizing the Alberta Community Partnership Grant funds of \$105,000. The Master Plan will assess the current state and identify priorities and recommendations regarding the provision of recreation facilities, active lifestyle and social gathering opportunities, and recreation services to meet the needs of residents and visitors into the future. RC Strategies + PERC (a planning company) has been retained to work with the partnership to complete the Master Plan.

Consultation with the community is critical to the development of the Master Plan. Community partners, organizations, and residents will be provided with opportunities to share their thoughts on the current situation and future needs. A survey will be mailed to households in the region in early 2018 to gather the opinions of area residents. As well, the perspectives of community groups will be gathered in at the same time. Please visit your local municipal website for project updates and to learn of other opportunities to share your thoughts.

The Recreation Services Master Plan is scheduled for completion by the end of 2018. For more information about the Master Plan process please contact; Tim Mahdiuk, County of St. Paul, at 780-645-3301 ext. 204; Norman R. Briscoe, Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay, at 780-645-4677; Ken Gwozdz, Elk Point, at 780-724-3810; or Robert Simons, Town of St. Paul, at 780-645-3388.

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B EVENT - Lane Lorensen presents the Weatherford trophy to Irvan Courts, Marcel Amyotte, Norm Vallee and Mark Skelton of the Neighbourhood Inn rink for their final round win over Encore curlers (front, left to right) Tyler Warawa, Tyson Ballas, Tim Smereka and Duncan Gilbert.



D EVENT - David Yushyshyn presented the S & T Energy Services trophies to Tyson Stafford, Brant Evans and Lane Lorensen, who curled with (not shown) Ryan Hahn on the Hahn Welding rink, finals winners over (front, left to right) Dave Cousins, Bert Gervais, Rod Graus and Marc Gervais of Pyramid Electric.



TAKING THE HIGHWAY - Winning a six-team draw for the Highway Event prize from Bear Slashing were Calvin Fisher, Andrew Justus and (not shown) Dean Payne and Jeff Veale.



C EVENT - Owen Gibson presents the B & R Eckel's trophy to Weatherford rinkmates Darcy Stafford, Dustin Yaremkevich, Stephen Kozina and Yvon Fontaine after their hard-fought defeat of Shamrock's Leonard Gadowski, Brandon Tupper, Lyle Frisby and Curtis Porcina.

Oilmen's

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The 2017 'C' and 'D' winners switched places this year. Weatherford's rink, made up of Darcy Stafford, Dustin Yaremkevich, Stephen Kozina and Yvon Fontaine, moved up from last year's 'D' event win to capture the 'C' trophy from B & R Eckel's, with a down-to-the-last-rock nail biter over last year's grand challenge runners-up, Shamrock Valley Enterprises' Leonard Gadowski, Brandon Tupper, Lyle Frisby and Curtis Porcina.

The 2017 'C' winners, Hahn Welding's Tyson Stafford, Brant Evans, Ryan Hahn and Lane Lorensen, took home the win in the 'D' event, sponsored by S & T Energy Services, with a win over Pyramid's Dave Cousins, Bert Gervais, Rodney Graus and Marc Gervais.

A total of 14 rinks took part in the three-day bonspiel, with their scores from each game added up to determine which eight rinks would compete in the final four games. The names of the remaining six rinks went into a hat with Bear Slashing hoodies and caps going to Calvin Fisher, Andrew Justus, Dean Payne and Jeff Veale.

This year's Oilmen's Bonspiel banquet was held at the curling club for the first time in recent history, with the Empress Family Restaurant bringing in all the favourite dishes for the curlers to enjoy at the end of a long day of competition.

Another change this year was that the Oilman

of the Year presentation will be made at the Elk Point Oilmen's Golf Tournament in August, rather than at the bonspiel, with Doug Callbeck to be the honoured recipient of the prestigious award.

Congratulations to the Oilmen on another great annual bonspiel!



County of St. Paul Members-at-Large

The County of St. Paul is seeking **County Residents** to sit as a member-at-large on the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB) along with Elected Officials appointed to this Board. The SDAB is called upon when there is a subdivision appeal or an appeal by a ratepayer on a development permit. The board fulfills the vital function in achieving the goals of orderly, beneficial and economic development set out in Part 17 of the Municipal Government Act (MGA). Training will be provided.

If you are interested in becoming a member of this board, apply to pcorbiere@county.stpaul.ab.ca or drop off a letter at the County of St. Paul Administration Office, 5015 - 49 Avenue, St. Paul, AB T0A 3A4. Tell us about yourself and what interests you in sitting on the SDAB. Deadline for applications is February 5, 2018.



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EDITORIAL

Six weeks or 46 days to spring?

Three days from now, those furry little forecasters in eastern Canada and the US will be hauled, reluctantly without a doubt, from their warm and cozy burrows to tell humans what the weather will be. And down in Balzac, the town icon, Billy, will do likewise.

Groundhog Day is a long-standing tradition, but let's all remember that it's just in fun. Shadows or no shadows, it's not going to be spring any time soon just because a rodent says so.

All we have to do is look at the calendar. There, in black and white, it says on the little square numbered 20 on the March page, 'First Day of Spring.' If you don't believe that's when spring officially arrives, just Google it.

Six weeks from Feb. 2 is March 16. March 20 is just four days later, and in either case, if spring should show up around that time, we'll still think that it has arrived early, because we all know that's unlikely to happen in this part of the country. Remember last Good Friday and the snowstorm that kept many of us away from the Easter Egg Hunt? That was on April 14, and this year, Easter is two weeks earlier. Easter Bunny tracks in the snow are definitely likely.

Yes, we could get some nice weather in February, but don't let it fool you into thinking that it's spring, whatever those groundhogs tell us on Friday.

RECREATION CORNER

Calling all artists and crafters - let's have some fun!

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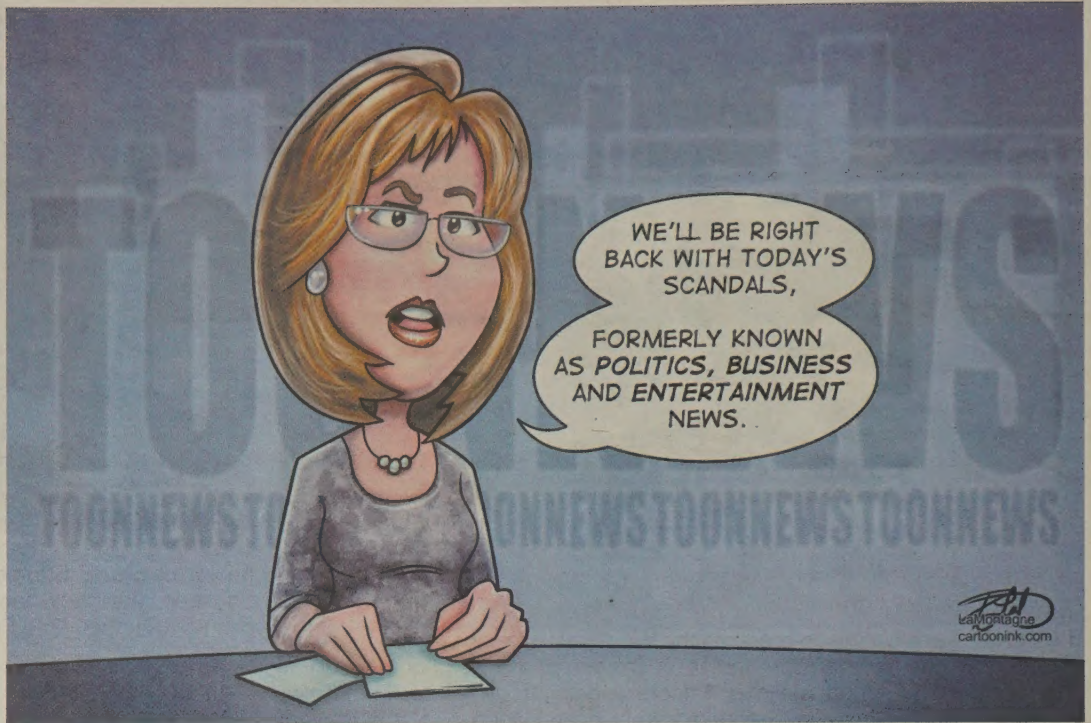
Review Contributor

The Rec Department is calling all artists. We want to hold an evening of art in March. Much like the popular paint parties, we were thinking to have two adult projects and two kids' projects, so people could attend and bring their kids. The kids would work on their stuff and the adults on theirs and everyone would take home some treasures. We just need some local artists to help bring it all together.

What would you like to see at the art evening? Painting, sculpting, handmade crafts? Whatever you desire, we want to know to help shape the evening into something really enjoyable to all. Email recreation@elkpoint.ca

As we head out of January, Family Day is fast approaching. Once again the Town will be hosting free public skating from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Arena. Along with skating, there are free burgers and drinks for everyone who attends. So don't be shy, come on out! This year we are adding some fun by teaming up with ECDC. They will be bringing a clown and a photographer to take pictures of families. The photographer will be on hand doing mini-session style family photos. So be sure to bring the whole family down for this exciting event.

Call out to the non-profit groups: did you know that the Town will help advertise your events? Send them into me and we'll get them up on our website, elkpoint.ca and our social media pages - at no cost. Be sure to give us a couple of days' notice to get the events up. If you need any help with posters or printing, please don't hesitate to ask.



WAY BACK WHEN...

Landmark demolished, explosion at Canadian Salt, oilmen honored

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 29 IN...

1988

Another downtown Elk Point landmark was gone, as the sizeable structure built by C. J. Markstad in 1927 at the northeast corner of 50 Ave. and 50 St. and later the home of Zarowny Motors, Ballas Motors, a glass shop, a tire shop, a secondhand store, an auto upholstery shop and the first home of E-Can Oilfield Services, was demolished. Kelly Currey won Alberta Winter Games gold in Nordic Combined.

1993

B & R Eckels won the 10th Annual Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel, with the Norcen Energy Resources trophies going to Victor Rocque, Wayne Hanson, Denis Ringuette and Don Hanson after their win over Morris Yakibowski and the Universal rink. The town was moving back to the pre-Bicentennial 'Gateway to the Lakeland' logo now that the Bicentennial year was over.

1998

An explosion and fire at Canadian Salt's Lindbergh works destroyed much of the plant's maintenance building, injured three workers and sent smoke billowing high into the fog, with fire crews containing the blaze and keeping it from spreading to the rest of the plant. A recent survey by Elk Point RCMP determined that the community wanted the detachment to concentrate on 'persons crimes' such sexual and physical assault, robbery and mugging, Sgt. Peter Sherstan told the Community Advisory Policing Committee at the year's first meeting.

2003

Elected members of local health boards would

soon be a thing of the past as Minister of Health and Wellness Gary Mar appointed chairs for nine new health regions and made it clear that members for the boards would be appointed in the future. New director Mircea Panciuk took over the helm at Northern Lights Library System, and declared himself impressed with the staff, which he said, were "top notch."

2008

Leonard Gadowski, skipping the Shamrock Valley Enterprises rink, won his fourth out of the past five Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel grand challenges, with a six-end trouncing of Mike Makowecki's Tuboscope foursome in the 25th annual event. Elk Point Oilmen's Association pioneer Allan Frankiw was named the association's Oilman of the Year at the bonspiel banquet, and recalled the group's first meeting, with Bob Paynter, Gordon McCuaig, Dave Kenyon, Bernie Goruk and others, where a curling committee was put together, and as Frankiw said, "The rest is history."

2013

It was a memory-making weekend for the Ballas family at the 30th Annual Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel, with Sheldon skipping the Marksman rink to an extra-end victory over Leonard Gadowski and the Shamrock foursome in the Grand Challenge and his brother Tyson skipping the Encore rink, which included their dad, Ron, to the Second Event victory.

2013 OILMAN OF THE YEAR

Ken Ference was named the Elk Point Oilmen's Association's 2013 Oilman of the Year, Robyn Moroziuk introducing a man who really needed little introduction to those familiar with the association and its annual bonspiels and golf tournaments.



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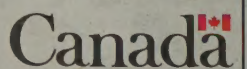
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WEDNESDAY WAS GAMES DAY at Elk Point Municipal Library, this annual event held to mark Family Literacy Day with fun for all ages, as adults enjoyed an afternoon of card games and pre-teens dropped in after school to try out some of the wide selection of board games on hand. Even the library staff members, shown below, got in on the fun, racking up huge scores on the crokinole board and trying out a half-forgotten skill from their childhood in a game of cat's cradle.



LEARNING AND FUN FOR ALL AGES for all ages was on the agenda last week at Elk Point Municipal Library, where three events were held to mark Family Literacy Day. On Tuesday, the first of four weekly Board Books for Babies sessions entertained the tiniest tots, from birth to age three, with stories, songs, rhymes, and the little ones each receiving a free board book to take home. The second session of Rhyme Time, a drop-in program of songs, rhymes, finger plays and movement games for newborns to age six, went Thursday afternoon and will continue each Thursday until Feb. 22. Both Board Books for Babies and Rhyme Time are held in conjunction with Elk Point Further Education and Portage College.

Announcements

OBITUARY

WASYLISHEN, Ken

On January 22, 2018, Mr. Ken Wasylshen of Clandonald passed away suddenly at the age of 65 years. He is survived by his loving wife of 40 years, Judy; 2 daughters & 1 son, Tracy Wasylshen, Tanya (Craig) Normand & their children, Myles & Emily, & Bryan Wasylshen (Danelle Garnier); adopted family, Douglas (Jane) Kalynchuk & their daughter, Caitlin, Doris Kalynchuk & Denise Kalynchuk; mother-in-law, Olive Trach; brother, Richard (Laura) Wasylshen; numerous nieces, nephews & cousins. Ken was predeceased by his parents, Bill & Doris Wasylshen; 2 sisters, Rose (Walter) Kalynchuk & Darlene Hyatt. A Funeral Service was held on Saturday, January 27 at 10:30 a.m. at Allied Arts Centre, Elk Point. Reverend Anne McGrath officiated, with interment in Landonville Community Cemetery, Clandonald. If desired, donations may be made to Alberta Heart & Stroke Foundation or a charity of one's choice c/o 5626 - 51 Street, St. Paul, AB T0A 3A1. To send condolences online, please visit www.gracegardensfuneralchapel.com.

NIBLOCK, Royal

On January 23, 2018, Mr. Royal Niblock of St. Paul, formerly of Helina, passed away at the age of 95 years. He is survived by his loving wife of 74 years, Edith; daughter, Royaleen (Wayne) Hewitt of Calgary; 1 sister; nieces & nephews. Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, February 3 at 2:00 p.m. at the Centennial Seniors Centre, St. Paul. A private interment in Fork Lake Cemetery, Rich Lake has taken place. If desired, donations may be made to Alberta Health Services-Parkview Extended Care c/o 5626 - 51 Street, St. Paul, AB T0A 3A1. To send condolences online, please visit www.gracegardensfuneralchapel.com.

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READY TO COMMUNICATE - Elk Point 4-H Beef Club members were all set to speak and demonstrate their skills at this weekend's Communications Event.

Elk Point 4-H Beef Club speaks out

ELK POINT 4-H BEEF CLUB
Review Contributor

Elk Point 4-H Beef Club held their annual Communications Event on Sunday, with Macey Ann Marcoux as the mistress of ceremonies for the program of speeches and presentations, judged by Dályn Venno, Julie Roth and Robyn Ockerman.

Nicole and Dallas Bristow placed first in Senior Presentation with "Swish", Luke Germain giving the audience a glimpse into his favourite pastime as he placed first in Intermediate Presentation with "Hooked On Fishing" and Alysa Jean first in Junior Presentation which gave some interesting information about "Chickens".

Kailey Wirsta placed first in Senior

Speech by declaring, "It's Too Much" while her sister Lexi Wirsta was first in Intermediate Speech with her thoughts on "Family Ties". In the Junior Speech division, Cloey Germain placed first with "Being a Barracuda" while second place went to Jayci Marcoux with "Always Plan to Arrive Alive".

Our wonderful sponsors were TD Canada Trust - Elk Point, Elk Point Insurance Ltd., ATB Financial-Elk Point and Signatures Collision and Frame.

Lucille Smith and Ellen Seward were the tellers and timers, with Janice Wirsta and Alysa Jean the tellers for the Impromptu speeches.

This year's St. Paul District 4-H Communications competition will be held Sunday, Feb. 11 at Portage College in St. Paul.

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Both Peewee Avalanche teams moving on to second Provincials round

Moving on, moving on, both of our peewee teams are moving on to the second round of provincial! Wednesday night our Peewee 4 team headed up to Bonnyville, going into the second game of the two game, total point series with a three-goal lead. The second game of this series was much closer, but the Avalanche still winning this one 2 to 1 to win the series. 'Top Gunner' Crawford and Gavin 'Giver' Kadutski scoring for the Avalanche, 'Wild Wyatt' Pavoll, 'Bo Diddley' Fontaine and Madden 'Mad Dog' Flamand assisting. Early next Sunday morning at 7 a.m., the Peewee 4 team will be loading up their bags onto the bus and heading five hours north to Wabasca to play round two. Good luck boys!



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BASSETT
Review Sports

In league play, this past weekend on Saturday they played an exciting game against Plamondon. Brady 'the Bionic Man' Hymanyk with the first goal for the Avalanche tying the game at one all in the second period, assisted by the hard work of his line mates digging the puck out, Kaleb 'Formula One' Flamand and 'Wild Wyatt'. The Oilers would take the lead again early in the third period, and as the clocked ticked down it started to look like the Avalanche may lose this one. But then late in the third period, team captain 'Dean the Machine' Ockerman sent a wicked slap shot through the traffic and into the mesh from the point to tie it up, assisted by 'Top Gunner'.

The Peewee Tier 1 team was tied at two all after the first game of the two game, total point series against St. Paul and headed 20 minutes north west to the Canadiens' barn on Thursday night to play in the second game. Not a lot of defense in this one, the Avalanche coming out strong and taking a 9 to 3 lead into the third period. The third period the tables turned and it was all St. Paul, the final 9 to 7. Good thing the game ended when it did. It was one of those games where when the momentum swings it is hard to get it back, but the good news is the Avalanche will be moving on to play the winner of the Vermilion vs. Vegreville series. The two game total point series will likely take place sometime next weekend.

In league play this past week, the Peewee Tier 1 team lost to the top team in the league, Provost, on Saturday. On Sunday it was another tough game against Cold Lake, this one ending 8 to 1. 'Mic Jager' Fontaine scoring the lone goal assisted by 'Paycheque'

Cash Capjack and Rylee 'the Rocket' Warawa. It was a great game for 'the Rocket'. She was not intimidated at all, mixing it up against the bigger boys in the corners and came very, very close to scoring on a one timer. Avalanche goalie Vanden 'Super Mario' Moroziuk facing 48 shots and making a lot of sensational saves.

The Novice Avalanche played at home Saturday, losing a barnburner 6 to 5 to Cold Lake. A hat trick and an assist for 'Wyatt Earp' Fontaine, Miles 'the Millionaire' Koren with a goal and an assist. 'Without a Trace' Morgan with scoring one too. Jackson 'J. R.' Rawlake and Jaxon 'Smitty' Smith with a helper each. On Sunday the novice team travelled to Bonnyville with a very short bench. Five players missing from the line up, the outcome not nearly as good, losing this one 10 to 3. 'Without a Trace', 'Wyatt Earp' and the 'Millionaire' scoring. No assists listed on the game sheet, although every game I watch there is always someone assisting in some way, either passing the puck or doing all the dirty work in the corners.

The Atom Avalanche played a terrific game here on Saturday against Lloydminster, winning 5 to 3 in the end, but it wasn't as easy as it sounds. The game was tied at 3-all at the end of 40 minutes, on goals by Kaysen 'Dynamite' DeMossiac, 'Cyclone Cole' Pierce and Evett 'Snoopy' Smereka, Charlotte 'Web Mail' Henderson with an assist. Into the third period, D-man Raif 'Rug Rat' Evans-Anderson was on the rush, feeding the puck to 'Snoopy' who would get off his chain and made a beauty goal scoring upstairs to take the one goal lead. Cold Lake pulling their goalie with a minute left, 'Snoop Dog' would seal the deal; score the empty netter, a hat trick for him, assisted by Braylee 'Little Willie' Lesyk. Everyone had to contribute in this one, forwards like 'Hurricane Kayl' Wawara, Timmy 'the Freight Train' Cardinal, 'Stellar Ella' Ballas and Brayden 'Pinball' Pinette all fore-checking like crazy. Defenseman like Raif 'Rug Rat' Evans-Anderson, Anna 'the Banana' Henderson and Spencer 'Goldie Locks' Malachowski keeping the shots to the outside. And of course, great goaltending from 'Good Time Charlie' Lesyk. On Sunday the Atoms travelled to the border city, coming home with a four all tie, 'Freight Train', 'Cyclone Cole', 'Little Willie' and 'Rug Rat' all scoring for the Avalanche, 'Snoopy' with an assist.

On Saturday after the Atoms game, the Midget Avalanche hit the ice, coming out very sleepy in the first period, down 2 to 0. Maybe it was because of the early game time of 5 p.m. Most midget games are late Friday or Saturday nights at 8 p.m. and the boys get

to sleep in till noon. But they finally woke up in the second period and tied the game, then added another three goals in the third period, winning in the end, 5 to 2. Two goals each for Nick 'Sparky' Anderson and the 'Big O' Brody Odgaard, team captain 'Awesome Alex' Hunter with a goal and an assist, 'Warrior Warren' Ference, Wolke 'Wolf Man' Cueva, Cyle 'Grinder' Graus and Austin 'Astro' Axley with the assists.

Sounds like it was a real old time western rodeo up in Cold Lake on Sunday afternoon for our Midget Avalanche boys, who not only had their butts handed to them, losing 12 to 3, but also lost a few players getting kicked out of the game. I'm sure a few of them will be getting game suspensions. 'Sparky', 'the Big O' and 'Awesome Alex' scoring for the Avalanche, Hayden 'Hot Wheels' Ludlage with two assists, 'Astro' with one.

Almost a full line up Saturday night for the Bantam Avalanche with their steady eddy D-man Jace 'the Stafford Streak' back in the line up, giving them nine skaters, they would take it to Marwayne 11 to 5. 'Lighting Liam' Ludlage lighting it up with five goals and four assists, Dallas 'Cowboy' Bristow with two goals and two assists, Evan 'Batman' Ockerman with two goals and two assists, Charlie 'Chuckles' Rogal with one goal and one assist and Jaden 'Jet Stream' Van Maaron with one goal and five helpers. On Sunday afternoon the Bantams suffered their first loss of the year in league play to Bonnyville by one goal. The winning goal was scored with only seven seconds left in the game. A heart breaker maybe, but looking at the positives, no one was hurt or suspended. 'Jet Stream' with a hat trick and an assist, 'Batman' scoring one and assisting on another, 'Cowboy' with one goal. 'Lighting Liam' with a goal and setting up four others, 'Danny Boy' Cardinal with two helpers too.

And now for the K. A. Campbell quote of the week. "Edmonton with Wayne was a glittering city. Edmonton without Wayne is just another city with a hockey team." - Dave Lumley

Teens heading to Winter Games

DEBBIE NAZARCHUK
Review Contributor

Local athletes Evan Ockerman and Devon Nazarchuk will be part of the Alberta Winter Games held from February 16 to 19 in Fort McMurray. They will be part of the Zone 7 volleyball team, made up of boys from Fort McMurray, St. Paul, Lloydminster, Vermilion and Elk Point.

The team's coach is from Fort McMurray, and because the zone is so huge, they were only able to practice as a team for three weekends, two here in Elk Point and once in Fort McMurray in the facility where they will be playing during the games, Syncrude Sports and Wellness Centre. The boys are very excited and proud to be on the team.

After their last day of practice this weekend, the coach sat them all down and told them he was very happy to have worked with all these boys. It was then that he named Devon captain of the Zone 7 team—quite an honor! It's going to be an exciting weekend where a TON of memories will be made!

Winning weekend for Elks

After a solid weekend of hockey, the Elk Point Elks have taken a two game lead in the best-of-five playoff series against Two Hills Longhorns. A 3-2 win at home on Friday was followed up with an 8-3 win on the road in Two Hills on Saturday. Game 3 will be back at home on Friday, with an 8:30 p.m. puck drop and the Elks say, "Hopefully there won't be a blizzard and it won't be -30 so we can pack the house! We want to thank all of our fans that have come to support us during the weather we have had to endure!! Hope to see everyone on Friday!!"

Regional recreation survey will guide future development

JANICE HUSER
Review Contributor

Residents throughout the area are being asked to fill out a survey about recreation, which will help guide the Town of St. Paul, Town of Elk Point, Village of Horseshoe Bay, and County of St. Paul as it moves forward with a recreation study.

The same survey will be sent out to residents in all four municipalities, and should be arriving in households within the next 14 days.

"The survey is part of a regional management plan," explains Robert Simons, the St. Paul Aquatic Centre manager. "We need to know what people see as important to them."

The municipalities recognize that recreation is a significant contributor to quality of life in the region. Recreation encompasses sports, parks, arts and culture, leisure pursuits, and the natural setting, reads a media release from the municipalities.

In order to make decisions about recreation, and set priorities, the St. Paul-Elk Point-Regional Partnership is taking on the development of a Recreation Services Master Plan.

A provincial Community Partnership Grant worth \$105,000 was accessed for the project.

"The Master Plan will assess the current state and identify priorities and recommendations regarding the provision of recreation facilities, active lifestyle and social gathering opportunities, and recreation services to meet the needs of residents and visitors into the future," reads the media release.

Consultation with the community is viewed as a critical piece to develop the Master Plan. The survey is viewed as an important way to gather information from residents.

"There will be questions about what people do in recreation but also how they think recreation should be funded. Do people want

it supported more by tax increases? Do people want it funded more through user fees?" says Simons.

The results from the survey will be used by each of the municipalities to prioritize what needs to be addressed.

"For example, if everyone in county/town/Elk Point is saying a 60-foot climbing wall is really needed, then all the groups will discuss how to make that possible. Hopefully this will really allow all these regional groups to start working together to fill community needs," says Simons.

He adds that the survey is only part of the gathering of information that will take place.

"We will also be sending a survey to recreation groups, talking to stakeholders and community leaders, and going through a ton of information and data. We will be looking at age of recreation buildings, demographics, census data, utilization of facilities (and more)."

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